

IMPROVED CLAPTON

WYCOMBE WANDERERS, having collected £80, 11 goals and six points from their last two matches, have the chance to consolidate their second position in the Rothmans Isthmian League table tomorrow (Saturday), when they visit the Spotted Dog ground, Clapton.

But although on paper the match looks a certain victory for Wycombe (Clapton are 20th in the table), their opponents have been showing improved form of late. The experienced Ken Pope is back with the club and up front they have Vince Scarfe, who scored two of the four goals in their 4-2 win at St. Albans last week. Stan Spicer, whose accurate, long range shooting impressed at Loakes Park in December, notched the other two in a match of three penalties.

Clapton were beaten 4-0 in the earlier meeting with Larry Pritchard (2), Mick Holifield and Graham McKenzie scoring. Holifield is again doubtful for tomorrow's game, still troubled by an ankle injury. So too is 'keeper John Maskell, who has yet to recover fully from a hand injury. Keith Searle, the Blues centre forward, started training last week, but manager Brian Lee was unable to determine when Keith will be back to match fitness.